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TO:

Washington State Law Enforcement and Fire Officials

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Celebrate Legally Enforcement Package

Once again, the fireworks season rapidly approaches. In an effort to make this season as safe as possible for all, the Office of the State Fire Marshal has developed a package of educational materials for your use.

With input and assistance from the law enforcement community, local fire officials, and the fireworks industry, two important messages were agreed upon to answer the public's call for fireworks safety. This enforcement message, "Celebrate Legally", is our companion to the public education message of "Celebrate Safely".

The public education package is targeted to those who will be discharging fireworks and will carry our message of personal responsibility. This enforcement package was designed to assist your agency in the enforcement of the fireworks law. With this in mind, we are sending you the following materials:

- 1) A "Fireworks Retail Stand Facts Sheet"
- 2) A "Fireworks Violation Fact Sheet"
- 3) A "Fireworks Transportation Fact Sheet" from the Washington State Patrol"
- 4) A "Model Operations Procedure"
- 5) An illegal explosive device, illegal fireworks, identification poster
- 6) A "Model Plan" developed by the Office of the State Fire Marshal, in cooperation with Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs, Washington State Association of Fire Marshals, and Washington State Labor and Industries, to assist in the safe handling, seizure and storage of fireworks

If you have questions concerning fireworks enforcement or would like a digital copy of these documents, please contact Deputy State Fire Marshal Larry Glenn at (360) 570-3133.

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